

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ANKARA 06337 150701Z

14

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00

NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 EB-07 OMB-01

TRSE-00 COME-00 AID-05 IGA-01 /073 W
----- 076184

R 150645Z AUT 75

FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 382

INFO SECDEF WASHDC

CINCUSAFE

CINCEUR

DIVENGR USAEDM LEGHORN ITALY MDDCD-I

USAFE DER RAF WEST RUISLIP ENGLAND

AREAENGR TUSEG USACD INCIRLIK CDI

C O N F I D E N T I A L ANKARA 6337

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, MOPS, PFOR, TU

SUBJ: GOT TAXATION OF U.S. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

REF: DIVENGR USAEDM LEGHORN MSG 071231Z AUG 75 NOTAL

1. WHEN QUERIED REGARDING STATUS OF IMPORT PERMITS FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL HELD UP BY MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MFA OFFICIAL STATED THAT TURKISH GENERAL STAFF (TGS) WAS DRAWING UP NEW PROCEDURES FOR CONSTRUCTION ON U.S. INSTALLATIONS BUT IN ANY CASE ALL IMPORTED CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO TAX SINCE GOT NO LONGER RECOGNIZES VALIDITY OF 1954 TAX RELIEF AGREEMENT. CONCURRENTLY TGS HAS REFUSED TO CLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRYING CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES UNTIL DESTINATION AND USE OF CARGO SPECIFIED.

2. SINCE PAYMENT OF TAXES ON CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS WOULD TEND TO SUPPORT GOT CLAIM THAT 1954 TAX RELIEF AGREEMENT IS NO LONGER IN EFFECT, WE BELIEVE IT PRUDENT TO SUSPEND ALL
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 ANKARA 06337 150701Z

SHIPMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR U.S. INSTALLATIONS
IN TURKEY, WHETHER THEY BE GOVERNMENT FURNISHED MATERIAL
OR IMPORTS BY CONTRACTORS APPROVED UNDER PREVIOUS
PROCEDURES.

3. GOT MAY ALSO ATTEMPT TO IMPOSE TAXES ON LOCALLY
PROCURED MATERIALS. IN THIS CASE IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO
SUSPEND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR WHICH MATERIALS ARE
NOT ALREADY PURCHASED AND ON SITE. WE ARE REVIEWING
STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN COUNTRY AND WILL
COMMENT FURTHER WHEN TGS PROCEDURES FOR CONSTRUCTION,
WHICH PROMISED US "WITHIN FEW DAYS," HAVE BEEN
RECEIVED.
MACOMBER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

*** Current Handling Restrictions *** n/a

*** Current Classification *** CONFIDENTIAL

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TAXES, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, MILITARY BASES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 AUG 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: woolflhd
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975ANKARA06337
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: n/a
Film Number: D750282-0585
From: ANKARA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750895/aaaagrxx.tel
Line Count: 79
Locator: TEXT ON MICROFILM, TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: woolflhd
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 20 AUG 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <20 AUG 2003 by ElyME>; APPROVED <09 DEC 2003 by woolflhd>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> gwr 971010
Subject: GOT TAXATION OF U.S. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
TAGS: MARR, MOPS, PFOR, TU, US, PFOR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006